

Before the  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, DC, 20554

In the Matter of                    )  
Creation of a Low                 )  
Power Radio                        )  
Service                             )

MB Docket No. 99-25

My name is Kevin Howley and I strongly support any actions the Federal Communications Commission can take to expand and support the Low Power FM radio service.

LPFM is a great way for local communities to promote civic engagement and improve and enhance public discourse; to offset the negative influence of a hyper-commercialized culture; and to spur local cultural production and economic development.

Communities across the nation need a local, non-commercial radio service that serves and reflects the public interest, not the special interests of the powerful broadcast lobby.

The FCC's support of LPFM is crucial if we are to reclaim the public airwaves and promote communicative democracy across the United States.

Sincerely,

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